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MOSQUITO FIRE SUPPRESSED SOUTH OF GRASSY LAKE ROAD

Interagency fire personnel responded Thursday evening, July 18, to a lightning-caused fire on the John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Memorial Parkway. The Mosquito Fire is currently being suppressed at 0.1 acres.

An initial assessment by a helicopter reconnaissance flight assured fire managers that the Mosquito Fire had low spread potential. The fire was burning in a cluster of three trees in a boggy area two miles south of Grassy Lake Road.

Based on this assessment and the potential hazards of working amid heavy fuels at night and in the rain, initial attack activities were suspended until Friday, July 19, when the Teton Interagency helitack crew was assigned to suppress the fire.

The Teton Interagency Fire Dispatch responded to eight lightning-caused fires on July 18, due to a series of thunderstorms that moved through the Tetons. All fires are currently being suppressed. Interagency managers assess natural ignitions based on long-term weather conditions, availability of management resources, and threats to safety.

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